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Weekly Bulletin: Red Willow Dam

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The reservoir elevation of Hugh Butler Lake this morning is 2553.24 feet, content of 5,872 acre-feet. The target elevation is between 2,554 to 2,552 feet in elevation to allow additional investigation on the upstream face of the dam, and to assure the safety of the downstream areas.

Reclamation conducted a public meeting on February 18, 2010 to inform the public of current and future activities related to Red Willow Dam. The presentation used at the meeting is available on the website address indicated below.

The current release from Red Willow Dam is 30 cfs. The release will be maintained for now to match the inflow and target elevation. It is emphasized that there have been no unusual seeps, leaks or sources of water detected by the current investigations.

The road across the dam has been reopened to traffic.

The downstream channel continues to be monitored as appropriate. No problems are being experienced at the current discharge rate.

The area below the dam remains limited to public access during this time.

Current updates and information are available at: www.usbr.gov/gp/nkao/redwillow/

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